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ARMY STATED ALL ARMY RESERVES SINCE 48 BEING CALLED ACTIVE SERVICE FOR MILITARY ACTION AGAINST GUATEMALA IN UNION WITH NICARAGUA AND HONDURAS. (COL. OSCAR BOLANOS, (ALSO RECEIVED AS BOLANQS) MINISTER DEFENSE TOLD MILITARY ATTACHE FEW RESERVES BEING TRAINED WEEKENDS ONLY).

- JUGATION BELIEVES ACTION WILL BE DURING HOLY WEEK 29 MARCH TO 5 APRIL.
- HE ALSO STATED SALVADOR HAS 5,000 TROOPS (3,000 MORE ACCURATE) READY AND NICARAGUA AND HONDURAS EACH 2,000.
 - SOURCE BELIEVES TROOPS 3 COUNTRIES WILL ENTER



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GUATEMALA ALONG HIGHWAY FROM SALVADOR WITH NICARAGUA MAKING INITIAL ADVANCE AND SALVADORAN TROOPS POLICING BORDER AND GIVING REAR ECHELON SUPPORT. HE EXPECTS CAPITAL TO BE CENTER OF FIGHTING WITH HEAVY CASUALTIES.

- 5. GUATEMALA AWARE PLANS BUT AFRAID MOVE TROOPS OUTSIDE AREA GUATEMALA CITY FOR FEAR ANTI COMMIE UPRISING. SOURCE JUGATION. PASSED EMBASSY AND M. A. FIELD COMMENT:
- A. MILITARY ATTACHE CURRENTLY VISITING FAR RACKS FINDS NO INDICATION ARMY PREPARING SUCH ACTION IN IMMEDIATE FUTURE.
- B. FOREIGN DIPLOMATS AND FOREIGN OFFICE PERSONNEL HERE DISCUSSING NECESSITY FOR MILITARY ACTION AGAINST GUATEMALA.
 - C. SOURCES AND INFORMANTS REPORTING RUMORS,



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